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TO AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV

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SUBJECT: VIETNAMESE REFUGEE LE DINH QUY

REF: DIA MESSAGE DTG 282030Z JUN 77

1) VIETNAMESE REFUGEE LE DINH QUY (REFTEL) HAS SENT
TELEGRAM TO US ARMY COL. HAROLD F. KUSHNER, HIS FELLOW POW
IN SOUTH VIETNAM, ASKING KUSHNER TO HELP HIM COME TO THE
U.S. KUSHNER IS PREPARED TO ASSIST QUY IN ANY APPROPRIATE
WAY AND ASKED IF EMBASSY TEL AVIV COULD OBTAIN ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION FOR HIM.

2) QUY WAS HELD IN SOUTH VIETNAM WITH VARIOUS AMERICANS
INCLUDING KUSHNER FROM 1965-71, AT WHICH TIME THE AMERICANS
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WERE TAKEN TO NORTH VIETNAM WHILE QUY STAYED IN THE SOUTH.
QUY WAS RELEASED IN 1973 AND WAS FULLY DEBRIEFED AT THE
TIME. KUSHNER REMEMBERS HIM AS PATRIOTIC, INTELL GENT,
SKILLED AT MECHANICS, AND TRI-LINGUAL (ENGLISH, FRENCH,
VIETNAMESE).

3) AS FIRST STEP BEFORE EXPLORING POSSIBLE COURSES OF

ACTION WE SUGGEST EMBASSY OBTAIN INFO FOR KUSHNER ON QUY'S
PRESENT STATUS. WE ASSUME HE WILL BE ALLOWED TO STAY
PERMANENTLY IN ISRAEL. DOES HE HAVE FAMILY MEMBERS WITH

HIM, OR IS HE ALONE? IN VIEW OF PUBLICITY QUY AND THIS
ENTIRE GROUP HAS RECEIVED, WOULD THERE BE ANY
AWKWARDNESS IN ISRAEL, OR AMONG OTHERS OF THIS GROUP, IF
KUSHNER STARTS PROCEDURES TO SPONSOR QUY INTO THE U.S?

4) EMBASSY SHOULD GET WORD TO QUY THAT KUSHNER HAS RECEIVED
HIS TELEGRAM AND IS EXPLORING POSSIBLE COURSES OF ACTION.
IT MIGHT BE HELPFUL, AT EMBASSY'S DISCRETION, FOR EMBOFF
TO INTERVIEW QUY, WHICH COULD BE DONE IN CONTEXT OF
CHECKING OUT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN REFTEL PRESS
REPORTS. ALTHOUGH THERE IS NO SPECIFIC DEBRIEFING
REQUIREMENT FROM DIA, IT WOULD ALSO BE USEFUL TO RECEIVE
WHATEVER ADDITIONAL DETAILS QUY CAN PROVIDE ON HIS LIFE
AFTER COMMUNIST TAKEOVER. CHRISTOPHER

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